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ACTION MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Action Memorandum No. A - 1

Date 8 May 1962

TO : DDCI (for information), DD/P, DD/R, 25X1

SUBJECT :

REFERENCE:

The following are the actions stemming from the DCI's meeting with the President on Monday, 7 May 1962:

25X1 1. The President still is concerned about the size of our 25X1
 (No immediate action is required, but we should keep
this in mind in planning future 25X1

2. The President wants continued emphasis placed upon all activities in Latin America and wishes the Agency to do everything it can in this regard. The DCI indicated that he wished to be brought up to date on Latin America and desired a report from Col. King at the Executive Committee meeting Monday, 14 May. (Action to the DD/P.) (This has been put on the Agenda for the Executive Committee.)

25X1 3. The DCI indicated that he wished to see Secretary Rusk to discuss 25X1
with him

(The action papers on this have been prepared and are in the Director's office.)
The DCI wishes to report on this subject to the 5412 Group and to the President indicating the action we have taken. It will be the Number One topic on the next Presidential briefing. (Action to 25X1

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4. The DCI noted that counter insurgency is still the Number One topic in Washington and wants the Agency to have a top senior officer who will be the expert in this field and can accompany the DCI to meetings when this is the topic. He emphasized that he wanted to have a military man in this post which would be that of the Assistant DD/P for Paramilitary and Air Support Operations. (Action to DD/P in consultation with the DDCI.)

5. The DCI raised the question of Task Force W briefings and requested that they be much more concise in the future. (Action to the DD/P.)

6. The DCI indicated that there was so much discussion in Washington of possible IRBM sites in Cuba that he wanted the Agency to have U-2 photography at all times on the area to check any possible construction. (Action to the DD/R.)

7. The DCI discussed with the DD/P a special project in which the President was interested in some operational details and indicated that he wished the DD/P to accompany him to the next meeting with the President. (Action to the DD/P.)

8. The DCI then indicated that he had discussed with the President and General Taylor a cover story of concern to the DD/R and asked that a new approach be considered. (Action to the DD/R.)

(signed) Lyman B. Kirkpatrick

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Executive Director

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